

Mr. Murphy of Burlington moves further amend the consolidated amendment for the categories of public health, mental health and disability services and social services by striking out item 4403-2000 and inserting in place thereof the following item:

4403-2000 For a program of transitional aid to families with dependent children; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, benefits under the program of transitional aid to families with dependent children shall be paid only to citizens of the United States and to non-citizens for whom federal funds may be used to provide benefits; provided further, that the need standard shall be equal to the standard in effect in fiscal year 2010 unless the department determines that a reduction in the monthly payment standard should be implemented before the end of the fiscal year to keep program expenditures within the amounts appropriated in this item; provided further, that the payment standard shall be equal to the need standard; provided further, that the payment standard for families who do not qualify for an exempt category of assistance under subsection (e) of section 110 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1995, or any successor statute, shall be 2.75 per cent below the otherwise applicable payment standard, in fiscal year 2011, pursuant to the state plan required under the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996; provided further, that the department shall notify parents under the age of 20 receiving benefits from the program of the requirements found in clause (2) of subsection (i) of said section 110 of said chapter 5 of the acts of 1995, or any successor statute; provided further, that a \$40 per month rent allowance shall be paid to all households incurring a rent or mortgage expense and not residing in public housing or subsidized housing; provided further, that a nonrecurring children's clothing allowance in the amount of \$150 shall be provided to each child eligible under this program in September 2010; provided further, that the children's clothing allowance shall be included in the standard of need for the month of September 2010; provided further, that benefits under this program shall not be available to those families in which a child has been removed from the household pursuant to a court order after a care and protection hearing under chapter 119 of the General Laws, nor to adult recipients otherwise eligible for transitional aid to families with dependent children but for the temporary removal of the dependent child or children from the home by the department of children and families in accordance with department procedures; provided further, that notwithstanding section 2 of chapter 118 of the General Laws, or any other general or special law to the contrary, the department shall render aid to pregnant women with no other eligible dependent children only if it has been medically verified that the child is expected to be born within the month the payments are to be made or within the 3 month period after the month of payment, and who, if the child had been born and was living with her in the month of payment would be categorically and financially eligible for transitional aid to families with dependent children benefits; provided further, that certain families that suffer a reduction in benefits due to a loss of earned income and participation in retrospective budgeting may receive a supplemental benefit to compensate them for the loss; provided further, that the department shall review its disability standards to determine the extent to which they reflect the current medical and vocational criteria and report

on the proposed revisions by December 1, 2010, to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities on the results of that review before any changes to the standards are proposed; provided further, that no funds from this item shall be expended by the department for child care or transportation services for the employment and training program; provided further, that no funds from this item shall be expended by the department for family reunification benefits or informal child care; provided further, that the department shall provide oral and written notification to all recipients of their child care benefits at the time of application and on a semi-annual basis; provided further, that the notification shall include the full range of child care options available, including center-based child care, family-based child care, and in-home relative child care; provided further, that the notification shall detail available child care benefits for current and former recipients, including employment and training benefits and transitional benefits; provided further, that the notice shall further advise recipients of the availability of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits; provided further, that in promulgating, amending or rescinding its regulations with respect to eligibility for, or levels of benefits under the program, the department shall take into account the amounts available to it for expenditure by this item so as not to exceed the appropriation; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 90 days before promulgating any eligibility or benefit changes, the commissioner shall file with the house and senate committees on ways and means and with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives a detailed and comprehensive report setting forth the text of, basis, and reasons for the proposed changes; provided further, that in fiscal year 2011, no such determination and report shall be filed prior to December 5, 2010 in order to allow sufficient review of any such proposals by no later than the third Wednesday in November of 2011 or prior to the conclusion of all formal business of the second annual session of the general court no later than the last day of July 2012; and provided further, that the report shall state the department's most accurate assessment of the probable effects of benefit or eligibility changes upon recipient families

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And further amend the consolidated amendment by striking out item 4408-1000 and inserting the following item:

4408-1000 For a program of cash assistance to certain residents of the commonwealth, entitled emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children found by the department to be eligible for the aid under chapter 117A of the General Laws and regulations promulgated by the department and subject to the limitations of appropriation therefore; provided, that benefits under this item shall only be provided to residents who are citizens of the United States or qualified aliens or non-citizens otherwise permanently residing in the United States under color of law; provided further, that the individual shall not be a subject to sponsor income deeming or related restrictions; provided further, that the payment standard shall equal the payment standard in effect under the general relief program in fiscal year 1991; provided further, that the department may provide benefits to persons age 65 or older who have applied for benefits under chapter 118A of the General Laws, to persons suffering

from a medically-determinable impairment or combination of impairments which is expected to last for a period as determined by department regulations and which substantially reduces or eliminates such individuals' capacity to support themselves and which has been verified by a competent authority, to certain persons caring for a disabled person, to otherwise eligible participants in the vocational rehabilitation program of the Massachusetts rehabilitation commission and to dependent children who are ineligible for benefits under both chapter 118 of the General Laws and the separate program created by section 210 of chapter 43 of the acts of 1997 and parents or other caretakers of dependent children who are ineligible under said chapter 118 and under said separate program; provided further, that no ex-offender, person over age 45 without a prior work history or person in a residential treatment facility shall be eligible for benefits under this program unless the person otherwise meets the eligibility criteria described in this item and defined by regulations of the department; provided further, that no person incarcerated in a correctional institution shall be eligible for benefits under the program; provided further, that no funds shall be expended from this item for the payment of expenses associated with any medical review team, other disability screening process or costs associated with verifying disability for this program; provided further, that the department shall adopt emergency regulations under chapter 30A of the General Laws to implement the changes to this program required by this item promptly and within the appropriation; provided further, that in initially implementing the program for this fiscal year, the department shall include all eligibility categories permitted in this item at the payment standard in effect for the former general relief program in fiscal year 1991; provided further, that in promulgating, amending or rescinding its regulations with respect to eligibility or benefits, including the payment standard, medical benefits and any other benefits under this program, the department shall take into account the amounts available to it for expenditure by this item so as not to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that the department may promulgate emergency regulations under chapter 30A of the General Laws to implement these eligibility or benefit changes or both; provided further, that nothing in this item shall be construed as creating any right accruing to recipients of the former general relief program; provided further, that reimbursements collected from the Social Security Administration on behalf of former clients of the emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children program or unprocessed payments from the program that are returned to the department shall be credited to the General Fund; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the funds made available in this item shall be the only funds available for the program, and the department shall not spend funds for the program in excess of the amount made available in this item; provided further, that, notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 90 days before implementing any eligibility or benefit changes, the commissioner shall file with the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate a determination by the secretary of health and human services that available appropriations for the program will be insufficient to meet projected expenses and a report setting forth the proposed changes; and provided further, that in fiscal year 2011, no such determination and report shall be filed before December 5, 2010 in order to allow sufficient review of any such proposals by no later than the third

Wednesday in November of 2011 or prior to the conclusion of all formal
business of the second annual session of general court no later than the last
day of July 2012..... \$84,658,966

And further amend the consolidated amendment, on page 4, in item 4510-0040, by adding after the word
“workers” the following “; and in said item striking out the figure “\$421,493” and inserting in place
thereof the figure “\$571,493”.

And further amend the consolidated amendment, on page 5, in item 4513-1111, by adding after the word
“detection” the following “; and in said item striking the figure “\$6,124,484” and inserting in place
thereof the figure “\$6,224,484”.

And further amend the consolidated amendment, on page 5, after item 4513-1111, by adding the
following words: “And moves to further amend the bill in section 2, in item 4590-0250, by inserting after
the words ‘consultation with’ the words:- ‘department of elementary and secondary education; and
provided further, that funding shall be expended to address the recommendations of the commission on
gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth, established in section 67 of chapter 3 of the General Laws,
for the reduction of health disparities for gay, lesbian bisexual and transgendered youth””.

And further amend the consolidated amendment, on page 5, in item 4590-1506, by striking the words
“; provided further, that funds shall be expended for grants to the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys &
Girls Clubs, YMCA and YWCA organizations, nonprofit community centers and youth development
programs; and provided further, that the secretary of health and human services shall award the full
amount of each grant to each organization upon commitment of matching funds from the organization”
and inserting in place thereof the following words “; provided further that funds shall be expended for
grants to the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, and the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAs
and YWCA organizations, nonprofit community centers and youth development programs; and provided
further, that the department of public health shall award the full amount of each grant to each organization
previously included in the youth-at-risk grants, including the Massachusetts Alliance and Boys & Girls
Clubs, the Alliance of YMCAs and YWCA organizations, nonprofit community centers and youth
development programs, upon commitment of matching funds from such organizations”.